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until the inmate's life or permanent health is no longer threatened.

(e) Staff shall continue medical, psychiatric and/or psychological follow-up as long as necessary.

[45 FR 23365, Apr. 4, 1980, as amended at 59 FR 31883, June 20, 1994]

§ 549.66 Release from treatment.

Only the physician may order that an inmate be released from hunger strike evaluation and treatment. This order shall be documented in the medical record of the inmate.

[59 FR 31883, June 20, 1994]

Subpart F—Fees for Health Care Services

SOURCE: 70 FR 43050, July 26, 2005, unless otherwise noted.

§549.70 Purpose and scope.

- (a) The Bureau of Prisons (Bureau) may, under certain circumstances, charge you, an inmate under our care and custody, a fee for providing you with health care services.
- (b) Generally, if you are an inmate as described in §549.71, you must pay a fee for health care services of \$2.00 per health care visit if you:
- (1) Receive health care services in connection with a health care visit that you requested, (except for services described in §549.72); or
- (2) Are found responsible through the Disciplinary Hearing Process to have injured an inmate who, as a result of the injury, requires a health care visit.

§ 549.71 Inmates affected.

This subpart applies to:

- (a) Any individual incarcerated in an institution under the Bureau's jurisdiction; or
- (b) Any other individual, as designated by the Director, who has been charged with or convicted of an offense against the United States.

§ 549.72 Services provided without fees.

We will not charge a fee for:

- (a) Health care services based on staff referrals;
- (b) Staff-approved follow-up treatment for a chronic condition;

- (c) Preventive health care services;
- (d) Emergency services;
- (e) Prenatal care:
- (f) Diagnosis or treatment of chronic infectious diseases;
 - (g) Mental health care; or
 - (h) Substance abuse treatment.

§549.73 Appealing the fee.

You may seek review of issues related to health service fees through the Bureau's Administrative Remedy Program (see 28 CFR part 542).

§ 549.74 Inmates without funds.

You will not be charged a health care service fee if you are considered indigent and unable to pay the health care service fee. The Warden may establish procedures to prevent abuse of this provision.

Subpart G—Authority To Conduct Autopsies

§ 549.80 Authority to conduct autopsies.

- (a) The Warden may order an autopsy and related scientific or medical tests to be performed on the body of a deceased inmate of the facility in the event of homicide, suicide, fatal illness or accident, or unexplained death. The autopsy or tests may be ordered in one of these situations only when the Warden determines that the autopsy or test is necessary to detect a crime, maintain discipline, protect the health or safety of other inmates, remedy official misconduct, or defend the United States or its employees from civil liability arising from the administration of the facility.
- (1) The authority of the Warden under this section may not be delegated below the level of Acting Warden.
- (2) Where the Warden has the authority to order an autopsy under this provision, no non-Bureau of Prisons authorization (e.g., from either the coroner or from the inmate's next-of-kin) is required. A decision on whether to order an autopsy is ordinarily made after consultation with the attending physician, and a determination by the Warden that the autopsy is in accordance with the statutory provision. Once it is determined that an autopsy

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is appropriate, the Warden shall prepare a written statement authorizing this procedure. The written statement is to include the basis for approval.

- (b) In any situation other than as described in paragraph (a) of this section, the Warden may order an autopsy or post-mortem operation, including removal of tissue for transplanting, to be performed on the body of a deceased inmate of the facility with the written consent of a person (e.g., coroner, or next-of-kin, or the decedent's consent in the case of tissue removed for transplanting) authorized to permit the autopsy or post-mortem operation under the law of the State in which the facility is located.
- (1) The authority of the Warden under this section may not be delegated below the level of Acting Warden.
- (2) When the conducting of an autopsy requires permission of the family or next-of-kin, the following message is to be included in the telegram notifying the family or next-of-kin of the death: "Permission is requested to perform a complete autopsy". Also inform the family or next-of-kin that they may telegraph the institution collect with their response. Where permission is not received from the person (e.g., coroner or next-of-kin) authorized to permit the autopsy or post-mortem operation, an autopsy or post-mortem operation may not be performed under the conditions of this paragraph (b).
- (c) In addition to the provisions of paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, each institution also is expected to abide by the following procedures.
- (1) Staff shall ensure that the state laws regarding the reporting of deaths are followed.
- (2) Time is a critical factor in arranging for an autopsy, as this ordinarily must be performed within 48 hours. While a decision on an autopsy is pending, no action should be taken that will affect the validity of the autopsy results. Therefore, while the body may be released to a funeral home, this should be done only with the written understanding from the funeral home that no preparation for burial, including embalming, should be performed until a final decision is made on the need for an autopsy.

- (3) Medical staff shall arrange for the approved autopsy to be performed.
- (4) To the extent consistent with the needs of the autopsy or of specific scientific or medical tests, provisions of state and local laws protecting religious beliefs with respect to such autopsies are to be observed.

[52 FR 48068, Dec. 17, 1987]

Subpart H—Civil Commitment of a Sexually Dangerous Person

SOURCE: 73 FR 70279, Nov. 20, 2008, unless otherwise noted.

§549.90 Purpose and application.

- (a) This subpart provides definitions and standards for review of persons for certification to federal district courts as sexually dangerous persons, as authorized by title 18 U.S.C. Chapter 313, by Bureau of Prisons staff or contractors (collectively referred to in this Part as "the Bureau").
- (b) This subpart applies to persons in Bureau custody, including those:
 - (1) Under a term of imprisonment;
- (2) For whom all criminal charges have been dismissed solely for reasons relating to the person's mental condition; or
- (3) In Bureau custody pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 4241(d).
- (c) The Bureau may certify that a person in Bureau custody is a sexually dangerous person when review under this subpart provides reasonable cause to believe that the person is a sexually dangerous person. In determining whether a person is a sexually dangerous person and should be so certified, the Bureau will consider any available information in its possession and may transfer the person to a suitable facility for psychological examination in order to obtain information for this purpose.

§ 549.91 Definition of "sexually dangerous person."

For purposes of this subpart, a "sexually dangerous person" is a person:

- (a) Who has engaged or attempted to engage in:
 - (1) Sexually violent conduct; or
- (2) Child molestation; and